

2013 Deer Trustee Report Public Action Team Implementation Proposal

Action Team: Deer Management Assistance	Hunting Regulations, Seasons & Bag
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This document shows the original Deer Trustee Report recommendation that the Public Action Team considered when developing proposals for implementing the recommendation in Wisconsin. The Public Action Team's implementation proposal is presented then followed by additional background information.

I. ORIGINAL DEER TRUSTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION

J.1. We strongly suggest addition of a <u>Deer Management Assistance Coordinator</u>, a highly qualified individual with the following characteristics: 1) considerable experience with DMAP or related programs; 2) well-respected in both the scientific and public communities; 3) highly skilled communicator; and, 4) highly motivated to work with the public.

II. PUBLIC ACTION TEAM PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTING THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATION

Below is the Public Action Team implementation proposal along with their rationale and supporting evidence, potential implementation obstacles and consideration of the proposal's potential impact on the overall deer management in Wisconsin.

1. Action Team Implementation Proposal:

Hire a DMAP coordinator and their primary focus should be DMAP and at a level of responsibility consistent with the DTR recommendation. Priorities should be managerial, coordination, communication, and leadership skills rather than the science. The group acknowledges that coordinator should be on the ground, in the field during the pilot program, not in the office.

Coordinator should:

- Primary focus is DMAP
- Boots on the ground, property visits, annual workshop presence
- Outreach to all parties involved
- Salesperson skills
- Responsibilities may change over time
- Strong negotiation skills
- 2. Supporting data, references, rationale and other information behind it.
- We acknowledge that this position is already in the works.

3. Consider and describe potential implementation obstacles or drawbacks.

- Need an on the ground presence.
- If this position is a section chief, will they have flexibility to dedicate more time to DMAP than other tasks?



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- 4. Overall, how will this proposal simplify or complicate deer hunting, management, or research in Wisconsin.
- Unless coordinator will be primarily dedicated to the program, and to have the leadership and communication skills to bring this to the public, the action team has reservations about the success of the program.